Appendix table 9-7. Number of different distance education courses offered by 2-year and 4-year higher education institutions in 1994–95 and 1997–98, by institutional characteristics

Institutional characteristics	Total number of distance education courses with different catalog numbers offered in 1994–95 ^a	Total number of different distance education courses for any level or audience offered in 1997–98 ^b	Number of different college-level, credit-granting distance education courses offered in 1997–98°
All institutions	25,730	52,270	47,540
Institutional type	10.150	20.210	10 / 70
Public 2-year	10,150	20,210	18,670
Public 2-year	11,470	23,390	20,500
Private 4-year	4,030	8,420	8,120
Size of institution			
Less than 3,000	6,070	13,980	12,090
3,000 to 9,999	7,970	17,020	15,910
10,000 or more	11,700	21,260	19,550

^a Includes information for the estimated 1,130 higher education institutions that offered distance education courses in fall 1995. The data for 1994–95 were not imputed for item nonresponse. However, there was no item nonresponse for the number of distance education courses offered.

NOTE: Numbers may not sum to totals because of rounding and not reporting where there are too few cases for a reliable estimate.

SOURCES: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Distance Education at Postsecondary Education Institutions: 1997-98. NCES 2000-013, 1999.*

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b Includes information for the estimated 1,590 higher education institutions that offered any distance education courses in 1997–98.

^c Data for private 2-year institutions are not reported as a separate type of institution because too few of them in the sample offered distance education courses to make reliable estimates. Data for private 2-year institutions are included in the totals and in size of institutions.